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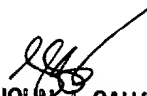
<b>Response to Rule 312 Communication</b>	<b>Application No.</b>		<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
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1. ☐ The petition filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 CFR 1.312(b) is granted. The paper has been forwarded to the examiner for consideration on the merits.
  
2. ☐ The petition filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 CFR 1.312(b) is dismissed.
  - a) ☐ The requisite petition fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ has not been received.
  - b) ☐ Other :

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3. ☒ The amendment filed on 19 April 2001 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:
  - a) ☐ entered.
  - b) ☒ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
  - c) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.
  - d) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

  
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